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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. James Q. Reber

SUBJECT: Comment on "Preliminary Comment on Church Door Mission [redacted]

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1. DD/I supported [redacted] on the basis that 37 COMOR highest priority targets remained to be covered after [redacted] The overall objective of both missions was to obtain a base line of industry in China's principal industrial area and to acquire as complete a military picture as possible in an area that supports North Korea [redacted] and which was reported to have received the majority of any advanced aircraft sent to China.

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2. It is correct that 23 airfields, 4 Naval Facilities and 5 Complexes were recovered. Recoverage was dictated partly by the distribution of the remaining targets and partly by the limited choice of access to them. Also, such recoverage is of importance to the military picture, particularly the AOB.

3. The military installations near the North Korean border, which had not been satisfactorily covered by [redacted] could have been approached over the Yellow Sea and the Korea Bay. It appeared more profitable, however, to overfly the Shantung Peninsula by entering at Ching Tao and entering the Kwantung Peninsula at Port Arthur. This provided recoverage of Ching Tao, Port Arthur, Ta Lien, a large number of airfields and the 4 Naval Facilities.

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4. From the northwestern end of the North Korea border to Tien Ching and Pei Ping the track inevitably passes near Fu Shun, Shen Yang and An Shan and even on a recoverage basis these targets and their related airfields are preferable to other objectives in the area. It is unfortunate that camera malfunction occurred shortly after the Peking Complex was covered as the remainder of the track covered mainly new targets.

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